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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4406

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4406 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Higher Education Student Assistance Act is
5 amended by adding Section 65.75 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 947/65.75 new)

7 Sec. 65.75. Grant for a person raised by a grandparent.

8 (a) The Commission shall, each year, receive and consider
9 applications for grant assistance under this Section. An
10 applicant is eligible for a grant under this Section if the
11 Commission finds that the applicant:

12 (1) has been in the legal custody of his or her
13 grandparent and received public aid assistance under the
14 Illinois Public Aid Code for a period of at least the
15 consecutive 12 months preceding the initial application
16 for assistance under this Section;

17 (2) has graduated from high school with a cumulative
18 grade point average of at least a 2.7 on a 4.0 scale or its
19 equivalent;

20 (3) has been recommended for assistance under this
21 Section by the principal or other appropriate
22 administrative officer of his or her high school; and

23 (4) is enrolled in or plans to enroll in an institution
24 of higher learning in this State full-time.

1 (b) Applicants who are determined to be eligible for
2 assistance under this Section shall receive, subject to
3 appropriation, a renewable grant of \$1,000 to be applied to
4 tuition and mandatory fees and paid directly to the institution
5 of higher learning at which the applicant is enrolled. However,
6 the total amount of assistance awarded by the Commission under
7 this Section to an individual in any fiscal year, when added to
8 other financial assistance awarded by the Commission to that
9 individual for that fiscal year, must not exceed the cost of
10 attendance at the institution of higher learning at which the
11 student is enrolled.

12 (c) A grant awarded under this Section may be renewed for a
13 total of up to 4 years of full-time enrollment. All of the
14 following are conditions of grant renewal:

15 (1) The student must provide the Commission with a
16 recommendation for the grant by an academic counselor,
17 advisor, or instructor at the student's institution of
18 higher learning.

19 (2) The student must have, at the time of renewal, a
20 cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.7 on a 4.0
21 scale or its equivalent at the institution of higher
22 learning.

23 (d) The Commission shall make all necessary and proper
24 rules not inconsistent with this Section for its effective
25 implementation."